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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group: 3632 }
Atty. Docket: 8266-0371 }
Applicant: Metz et al. }
Invention: MEDICAL DEVICE }
SUPPORT ASSEMBLY }
Serial No.: 09/629,524 }
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Examiner: Unknown }

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PETITION AND FEE FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed September 21, 2000 in the above identified application for:

one month (\$110.00)
 two months (\$390.00)
 three months (\$890.00).

Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27, therefore the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, the resulting fee being \$_____. A small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27 has already been filed in this application.

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

A response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application is being filed simultaneously herewith.

Please charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment, to Bose McKinney & Evans LLP's Deposit Account No. 02-3223. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted


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